

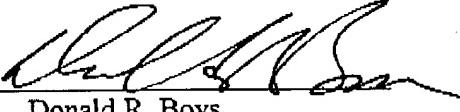
REMARKS

The present amendment is a preliminary amendment to more particularly point out and distinctly claim that which the inventor considers to be patentable subject matter in the above-referenced application. The as-filed claims 1-22 have been canceled above and new claims 23-32 have been added.

If there are any time extensions due beyond any extension requested and paid with this amendment, such extensions are hereby requested. If there are any fees due beyond any fees paid with the present amendment, such fees are authorized to be deducted from deposit account 50-0534.

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